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Subject: Re: Funding Summary

#### Vickie,

I am asking for someone from GaDOE or the Governor's office of planning and budget to provide guidance on the impact of modifying student count information as it relates to the current funding formula. Specifically, how will the modification to the South Metro student count impact the 3 year rolling average component of the formula not included in the summary you provided?

In the past LEAs opting to change GNETS fiscal agent incurred the cost of the change. In the cases I am familiar with, Henry County and Atlanta Public Schools, those LEAs supported GNETS operations until funding was available through the student count and GNETS funding formula.

This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of services for South Metro in Henry County Schools; I want to ensure there are not any negative impact to funding for GNETS services in our other LEAs Clayton County and Henry County.

On Wed, Dec 11, 2019 at 5:34 PM Vickie Cleveland < VCleveland@doe.k12.ga.us > wrote:

Hi Derrick,

Your request was for the GNETS grant funding formula, and I have provided the funding summary for the state grant. Just a reminder that our office does not provide projections regarding the GNETS grant. As you are aware, final allocations for the GNETS grant are not available until the final budget is approved by the SBOE in late spring. Let me know if I can assist further.

Vickie

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Vickie,

I wanted to follow up on the information I requested. I requested projections regarding the impact of reducing/moving 47 students currently served by South Metro to another GNETS program. This request is being made to assist with projecting positions for FY21. Please advise on when this information will be available.

Thanks,

On Tue, Dec 10, 2019 at 9:25 AM Vickie Cleveland < VCleveland@doe.k12.ga.us > wrote:

Hi Derrick

Just following up on our conversation yesterday. You shared that there are currently 47 students receiving GNETS services in Fulton County. The student record count has been reduced by 47 students for FY2021 for South Metro. See the attached FY20 funding summary. Let me know if you have questions.

Vickie

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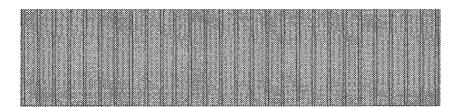
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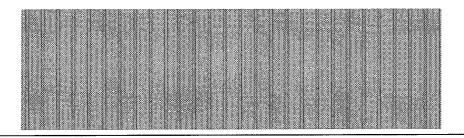
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